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19 Plaintiff,  
20 v.  
21 UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,  
OTTOMOTTO LLC; OTTO TRUCKING LLC,  
22 Defendants.

Case No. 3:17-cv-00939-WHA

**DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE TO  
WAYMO'S OBJECTIONS TO  
EVIDENCE CITED IN DEFENDANTS'  
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION SUR-  
REPLY**

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## Introduction

“[N]o defendant should have to litigate against a moving target because a plaintiff does not know what its own trade secrets are.”<sup>1</sup> Waymo had an obligation to identify its trade secrets with “enough detail so that the defendant is able to learn the boundaries of the alleged trade secret in order to investigate defenses.”<sup>2</sup> Instead, Waymo and its expert, Gregory Kintz, responded to Defendants’ evidence of public knowledge and independent development by altering the scope of Waymo’s alleged trade secrets. Additionally, with respect to its patent allegations, Waymo switched targets from Uber’s Fuji system to the abandoned Spider design and accused Spider of using a trade secret that was not in Waymo’s opening papers.

Waymo’s shifting definitions of its alleged trade secrets are particularly egregious given that it has the burden of proof on independent development. Contrary to Waymo’s argument that defendant bears the “heavy burden of persuasion,”<sup>3</sup> this Court has explained that “[p]laintiff has the burden of establishing that defendants did not independently derive trade-secret information.”<sup>4</sup> The California Court of Appeal rejected the unpublished *Cybertek* trial court decision cited by Waymo, concluding instead that independent development is not “an affirmative defense, but a traverse.”<sup>5</sup> “Evidence of independent derivation” therefore “directly refutes the element of use through improper means.”<sup>6</sup>

In order to address these new arguments raised by Waymo after its opposition, Defendants submitted supplemental declarations from Uber engineers James Haslim and Scott Boehmke, and expert Dr. Michael Lebby. These declarations respond to Waymo's new assertions and re-

<sup>1</sup> *Avago Techs., Inc. v. IPtronics Inc.*, No. 5:10-cv-02863, 2015 WL 2395941, at \*5 (N.D. Cal. May 19, 2015).

<sup>2</sup> *VasoNova Inc. v. Grunwald*, No. C 12-02422, 2012 WL 4119970, at \*2 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 18, 2012).

<sup>3</sup> Waymo's Objections at 7 n.5 (citing *Cybertek Comp. Prods., Inc. v. Whitfield*, 203 U.S.P.Q. 1020, 1977 WL 22730, at \*5 (Cal. Super. Ct. Nov. 31, 1977)); see also 5/3/2017 PM Sealed Hr'g Tr. 67:8-11.

<sup>4</sup> *Rita Med. Sys., Inc. v. Resect Med., Inc.*, No. C 05-03291 WHA, 2007 WL 161049, at \*8 (N.D. Cal. Jan. 17, 2007) (granting defendants' motion for summary judgment because "no reasonable juror could find that [defendants] did not independently derive their customer list").

<sup>5</sup> *Sargent Fletcher, Inc. v. Able Corp.*, 3 Cal. Rptr. 3d 279, 286-287 (2003) (stating that “Cybertek has no value in this court”).

<sup>6</sup> *Id.* at 287.

1 defined trade secrets, and are thus appropriate on sur-reply.<sup>7</sup>

2 Moreover, Waymo cannot complain about prejudice when the Court has allowed Waymo  
 3 more deposition time with Uber engineer James Haslim and permitted Waymo to submit  
 4 deposition excerpts into the record. (5/3/2017 PM Sealed Hr'g Tr. 77:8-14.) On May 4, 2017,  
 5 Waymo thoroughly deposed Mr. Haslim for over five and a half additional hours on the record,  
 6 on both his opening and supplemental declarations, and the exhibits attached thereto.  
 7 (Declaration of Esther Kim Chang in Support of Defendants' Response to Waymo's Objections to  
 8 Evidence Cited in Defendants' Sur-Reply ("Chang Decl.") ¶ 2.)

9       **A. Waymo Redefined Its Alleged Trade Secret of [REDACTED]**

10 Since the filing of Waymo's preliminary injunction motion, Waymo has redefined its  
 11 alleged trade secret of [REDACTED]. Waymo's trade secret list defines TS List No. 1 as:

12 [REDACTED]  
 13 [REDACTED]  
 14 [REDACTED]  
 15 [REDACTED]

16 (Jaffe Decl. Ex. 1 at 2.) In his opening declaration of March 10, 2017, however, Mr. Kintz called  
 17 the alleged trade secret the [REDACTED] in [REDACTED].

18 (Kintz ¶¶ 30, 32.) Specifically, he stated that Fuji's PCB [REDACTED]  
 19 [REDACTED] based on measuring the [REDACTED]

20 [REDACTED] on a single Fuji board (not every pair of diodes). (*Id.* ¶¶ 31-32.) Mr. Kintz described  
 21 Fuji's use of the alleged trade secret as follows : (1) [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED] based on [REDACTED]  
 23 [REDACTED] and (2) [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED] based on the  
 25 [REDACTED]

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28       <sup>7</sup> See *Sosa v. Pfeiffer*, No. 10cv0280, 2013 WL 5204104, at \*4 (S.D. Cal. Sept. 16, 2013).

1 [REDACTED] (*Id.* ¶ 33 (emphasis added).)<sup>8</sup> Mr. Kintz's declaration did not use the  
 2 word [REDACTED] to describe this [REDACTED]. (*Id.* ¶¶ 29-35.)

3 In his reply declaration of April 21, 2017, Mr. Kintz changed his description of the alleged  
 4 trade secret to [REDACTED]  
 5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED] (Kintz Reply ¶ 4; *see also id.* ¶¶ 5-7, 10, 13, 15.) Based on  
 7 this redefinition, Mr. Kintz opined that Fuji's [REDACTED] could not have been the result of  
 8 Boehmke's independent development work, which allegedly only showed lasers that are  
 9 [REDACTED] but are  
 10 [REDACTED] (*Id.* ¶ 19.) Mr. Kintz also argued for the first time that  
 11 Waymo's alleged trade secret requires [REDACTED]  
 12 [REDACTED] which Mr. Kintz argued was not present in Mr. Boehmke's work. (*Id.*  
 13 ¶ 20; *compare* Kintz ¶¶ 29-35 (no discussion of [REDACTED]).)

14 Then, at his deposition on April 26, 2017, Mr. Kintz introduced a new characterization of  
 15 the alleged trade secret as [REDACTED]  
 16 [REDACTED] (Chang Decl. Ex. A, Kintz Dep.  
 17 63:6-14.) Mr. Kintz further testified that [REDACTED]  
 18 [REDACTED]  
 19 [REDACTED] (*Id.* at 63:15-64:14.)

20 Mr. Kintz further expanded in deposition on the way to calculate [REDACTED] by  
 21 "taking the [REDACTED] and  
 22 [REDACTED] (Kintz  
 23 Dep. 34:19-25; *see also id.* at 36:12-21, 49:14-50:10.) Mr. Kintz also said he looked at the  
 24 [REDACTED] to determine [REDACTED] because [REDACTED]  
 25 [REDACTED];  
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27 <sup>8</sup> Later, in deposition, Mr. Kintz testified that he determined that Fuji boards had  
 28 [REDACTED] by visual inspection, not by measuring every diode. (Kintz  
 Dep. 55:2-56:10.)

1 “[i]deally,” he would need [REDACTED] to determine  
2 whether or not the diodes have [REDACTED] (*Id.* 54:1-12, 89:17-90:6.) Mr.  
3 Kintz further explained that, by [REDACTED] he was not computing just the [REDACTED]  
4 [REDACTED] of two diodes. (*Id.* at 50:16-21.)<sup>9</sup> ***None of this explanation*** had been  
5 provided in Mr. Kintz’s opening or reply declarations, and so Uber had no opportunity to respond  
6 prior to submitting its sur-reply papers.

7 The following portions of the sur-reply declarations are proper responses to Waymo and  
8 Mr. Kintz's new arguments:

- 9           • Dr. Lebby’s Opinion Regarding Alleged Trade Secret No. 1 (Supp. Lebby ¶¶ 49-  
10           56; Sur-reply at 5:1-3).

11 As Mr. Kintz acknowledged in his reply declaration (¶ 14), Dr. Lebby originally discussed  
12 the well-known concept of foveated vision, referencing Dr. McManamon and the Velodyne '190  
13 patent, and how the [REDACTED]  
14 [REDACTED]. (Lebby ¶¶ 38-39.) In response to Mr. Kintz's new definition of [REDACTED]  
15 [REDACTED] provided in Mr. Kintz's reply declaration and at deposition, Dr. Lebby explained how  
16 the concept of [REDACTED] (as defined for the first  
17 time by Mr. Kintz at his deposition) is present in the '136 patent application. (Supp. Lebby ¶ 55.)  
18 Dr. Lebby further explained how Fuji does not have [REDACTED]  
19 [REDACTED] in accordance with Mr. Kintz's new definition. (*Id.* ¶ 56.) Dr. Lebby also  
20 responded to Mr. Kintz's argument in his reply declaration, based on his new definition of  
21 [REDACTED], that Mr. Boehmke's work could not have resulted in Fuji. (*Id.*  
22 ¶¶ 49-53.) Dr. Lebby also responded to Waymo's new argument in its reply brief that the  
23 Velodyne '190 patent does not teach [REDACTED] of diodes "in a single device." (*Id.*  
24 ¶ 54.)

<sup>9</sup> Notably, at the May 3, 2017 Preliminary Injunction hearing, Waymo's counsel argued that [REDACTED] is determined by [REDACTED] in an apparent attempt to change the target once again. (5/3/2017 AM Sealed Hr'g Tr. 23:7-15.)

- **Mr. Boehmke's Work with [REDACTED] (Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 2-5; Sur-reply at 3:2-4, 3:6-8).**

Mr. Boehmke responded to Mr. Kintz's new argument that the beam spacing Mr. Boehmke provided to [REDACTED] was in symmetric zones and therefore did not have [REDACTED] [REDACTED] as defined by Mr. Kintz in his reply declaration and at deposition. (Kintz Reply ¶ 19; Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 2-5.) Mr. Boehmke explained in his supplemental declaration that while [REDACTED]'s non-custom spacing may be in symmetric zones, the preliminary specifications and the final specifications he provided to [REDACTED] had a beam pattern where (1) [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 4-5.)

- Mr. Boehmke's Work on [REDACTED] (Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 6-10; Sur-reply at 3:4-6).

Mr. Boehmke responded to Mr. Kintz and Waymo’s new argument that Mr. Boehmke failed to support independent development of the positioning of [REDACTED] [REDACTED], which was not previously part of Waymo’s trade secret definition. (Kintz Reply ¶ 20; Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 6-10.) Mr. Boehmke explained in his supplemental declaration that (1) [REDACTED], as shown in Exhibit C to his original declaration (Supp. Boehmke ¶ 7), and (2) there is evidence of his work on [REDACTED] in March 2016 (*id.* ¶ 8).

- **Mr. Boehmke Was Not Directed by Anthony Levandowski To Develop [REDACTED] (¶¶ 11-13; Sur-reply at 1:13-14, 2:19-21, 3:6-7, 3:12-13).**

Mr. Boehmke responded to Waymo’s new arguments that “it was Levandowski who provided direction to Boehmke for Uber’s [REDACTED],” based on June 2016 emails between Anthony Levandowski and Mr. Boehmke. (Waymo Reply Br. at 4:7-8.) Mr. Boehmke explained in his supplemental declaration that (1) the June 2016 emails that Waymo cites relate to Spider, not Fuji (Supp. Boehmke ¶ 11); (2) Mr. Boehmke independently came up with [REDACTED] before the cited June 2016 emails (*id.* ¶ 11); (3) he independently created the beam spacing and angles implemented in Fuji (*id.* ¶ 12); and (4) Mr. Levandowski did not direct the

1 pivot from Spider to Fuji, but deferred to the engineers' judgment and recommendation (*id.* ¶ 13).

2 • [REDACTED] (Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 14-17; Sur-reply at 3:8-10).

3 Mr. Boehmke responded to Mr. Kintz's new argument that the [REDACTED] in  
 4 the custom [REDACTED] that Mr. Boehmke developed was "very different" from the  
 5 [REDACTED] (as re-defined by Mr. Kintz) in Fuji (Kintz Reply ¶ 19;  
 6 Supp. Boehmke ¶ 14). In response to Mr. Kintz's new argument, Mr. Boehmke identified and  
 7 compared in his supplemental declaration the base assumptions and calculations used in the  
 8 [REDACTED] and Fuji. (Supp. Boehmke ¶¶ 15-17.)

9 • **Beam Spacing in Fuji (Supp. Haslim ¶¶ 16-19; Sur-reply at 3:10-12).**

10 Mr. Haslim responded to Mr. Kintz's new argument that there was no evidence that Fuji's  
 11 [REDACTED] (as re-defined by Mr. Kintz) was independently  
 12 developed by Mr. Boehmke because Mr. Boehmke's "zones" design was very different. (Kintz  
 13 Reply ¶ 19; Supp. Haslim ¶¶ 16-19.) In his supplemental declaration, Mr. Haslim compared Mr.  
 14 Boehmke's beam spacing and angles (provided in Exhibit E to Mr. Haslim's original declaration)  
 15 with Fuji's actual diode positions and angles (provided in Exhibit B to Mr. Haslim's original  
 16 declaration) to show how the latter developed from the former. (Supp. Haslim ¶¶ 17-18.)

17 • **Development of [REDACTED] (Supp. Haslim ¶¶ 12-13).**

19 Mr. Kintz raised the new argument in his reply declaration that Waymo's alleged trade  
 20 secret requires [REDACTED] and argued that Mr. Boehmke did not  
 21 develop this feature. (Kintz Reply ¶ 20.) Mr. Haslim responded in his supplemental declaration  
 22 to the new argument that Mr. Boehmke's independent development work did not include the use  
 23 of [REDACTED] by describing his work with Mr. Boehmke on Fuji's [REDACTED]  
 24 [REDACTED] design (citing Exhibits A and E to Mr. Haslim's original declaration). (Supp. Haslim  
 25 ¶¶ 12-13.)

26 • **Dr. Lebby's Opinion on [REDACTED] of Diodes (Supp. Lebby ¶ 57).**

27 Neither Mr. Kintz's opening declaration nor his reply declaration addressed Waymo's  
 28 alleged trade secret of [REDACTED] between diodes, but Waymo's Reply argued

1 for the first time that Fuji uses alleged Trade Secret 4 on [REDACTED]. (Reply at 3; Jaffe  
 2 Decl. Ex. 1 at 3.) Dr. Lebby responded to this new argument.

3           **B. Waymo Altered the Scope of Its Alleged Trade Secret of [REDACTED]**

4           In an attempt to avoid evidence of public knowledge, Waymo has attempted to alter the  
 5 scope of its alleged trade secret of [REDACTED]. In  
 6 his opening declaration, Mr. Kintz described the alleged trade secret as [REDACTED]  
 7 [REDACTED] (Kintz ¶ 49.) In his  
 8 reply declaration, Mr. Kintz distinguished the Liu textbook and Scholz dissertation as “teach[ing]  
 9 away from using significant [REDACTED]” and argued that both Fuji and [REDACTED]  
 10 [REDACTED] which is [REDACTED]  
 11 [REDACTED] (Kintz Reply ¶¶ 43-44.) At his deposition, Mr. Kintz raised the new argument that  
 12 “significant [REDACTED]” is specific to laser diode applications and [REDACTED]  
 13 [REDACTED] (Kintz Dep. 123:6-15, 125:13-16.) Neither Waymo nor  
 14 Mr. Kintz had previously said that the [REDACTED] or any other  
 15 specific length. (Mr. Kintz admitted at deposition that Scholz disclosed “some [REDACTED]” and  
 16 could not say where the trade secret definition required [REDACTED].)  
 17 (*Id.* at 125:5-20, 128:16-21.) The following are proper responses on sur-reply to this new  
 18 definition of the alleged trade secret:

- 19           • **Dr. Lebby’s Opinion on Alleged Trade Secret No. 7 (¶¶ 58-61; Sur-reply at 5:5-  
 20 20).**

21           Dr. Lebby responded to Mr. Kintz’s new arguments by pointing to Mr. Kintz’s admission  
 22 at deposition, taken after Defendants’ April 7, 2017 opposition, that the alleged trade secret does  
 23 not specify an [REDACTED], and that any purported benefits of a [REDACTED]  
 24 [REDACTED]. (Supp. Lebby ¶¶ 58-60.) Dr. Lebby also discussed testimony  
 25 regarding Velodyne’s use of an [REDACTED] that came up in a deposition taken after Dr. Lebby’s  
 26 original declaration. (*Id.* ¶ 61.)

1           **C. Waymo Mischaracterized Dr. Lebby's Comparison of Fuji and [REDACTED]'s**  
 2           **Transmit Boards**

3           In his reply declaration, Mr. Kintz argued that Dr. Lebby failed to quantify the different  
 4           curvatures of Fuji and [REDACTED]'s PCB edges and "thus [Lebby] does not counter [Kintz's] opinion  
 5           that the Fuji PCB appears to be a scaled-up version" of [REDACTED]'s board. (Kintz Reply ¶ 38.) The  
 6           following are proper responses on sur-reply:

- 7           • **Dr. Lebby's Opinion Regarding Differences Between Fuji and [REDACTED] (Supp.**  
 8           **Lebby ¶¶ 3-7; Sur-reply at 3:14-4:12 and 3 n.4).**

9           Dr. Lebby (not Dr. McManamon) compared the Fuji and [REDACTED] transmit boards in his  
 10          original declaration, dated April 7, 2017, identifying different features and expressly stating that  
 11          the two boards' different positioning of diodes can be shown by a comparison he performed of  
 12          "diode location and angle information" from the Haslim Declaration (for Fuji) and Jaffe  
 13          Declarations (for [REDACTED]). (Lebby ¶ 62; *see id.* ¶¶ 21-27, 60-62.) In response to Mr. Kintz's reply  
 14          declaration stating that Dr. Lebby failed to quantify one of the differences between the boards  
 15          (curvature), Dr. Lebby's supplemental declaration clarified the comparisons that he undertook for  
 16          his original declaration. (Supp. Lebby ¶¶ 3, 6-7.) Dr. Lebby also explained how Mr. Kintz's  
 17          calculations were based on the wrong focal length of Fuji. (*Id.* ¶¶ 4-5.)

- 18           • **Dr. Lebby's Review of the 14,000 Allegedly Downloaded Files (¶¶ 67-70).**

19          Dr. Lebby did not provide a new opinion regarding the 14,000 allegedly downloaded files,  
 20          but confirmed that the Waymo files he reviewed are consistent with the [REDACTED] information he  
 21          previously analyzed and did not change the opinions in his opening declaration. (Supp. Lebby ¶  
 22          68.)

23           **D. Waymo Raised A New "Minor Modification" Argument for Its Alleged Trade**  
 24           **Secret of [REDACTED]**

25          In his opening declaration, Mr. Kintz stated that "the accused LiDAR device uses the  
 26          same [REDACTED]." (Kintz ¶ 41.) When confronted with Fuji's actual  
 27          configuration, Mr. Kintz introduced the new argument that Fuji's [REDACTED] design and its different  
 28          [REDACTED] configuration are both "minor modification[s]" derived from Waymo's

1 alleged trade secrets. (Kintz Reply ¶¶ 27-28.) The following are proper responses on sur-reply:

- 2     • **Dr. Lebby's Opinions on Alleged Trade Secret Nos. 2-3 (¶¶ 62-64; Sur-reply at  
3       6:3-7, 6:11-17).**

4           Dr. Lebby responded in his supplemental declaration to Mr. Kintz's new "minor  
5 modification" argument, contrasting it with Mr. Kintz's deposition testimony (which was given  
6 after Dr. Lebby's original declaration and Mr. Kintz's reply declaration) that it would not be a  
7 "simple modification" to switch from two cavities to one cavity. (Supp. Lebby ¶¶ 62-64.)

8           **E. Waymo Redefined Its Alleged Trade Secret of Using [REDACTED] to Require A  
9       Combination of Elements**

10          Mr. Kintz stated in his opening declaration that Waymo [REDACTED]  
11 [REDACTED] (Kintz  
12 ¶ 54.) He states, [REDACTED]  
13 [REDACTED] (*Id.*) In his reply declaration, Mr. Kintz distinguished evidence of public knowledge by  
14 arguing that the alleged trade secret requires a combination of three elements: [REDACTED]  
15 [REDACTED]  
16 (Kintz Reply ¶ 49.) The following are proper responses on sur-reply:

- 17     • **Dr. Lebby's Opinions on Alleged Trade Secret Nos. 14 (¶¶ 65-66; Sur-reply at  
18       6:25-26).**

19           Dr. Lebby responded to Mr. Kintz's new argument about combining all elements of the  
20 alleged trade secret by discussing how the '109 patent discloses all of them, as Mr. Kintz  
21 conceded at deposition. (Supp. Lebby ¶¶ 65-66.)

- 22     • **Non-Use of [REDACTED] (Supp. Haslim ¶ 14).**

23           Mr. Haslim responded to Waymo's new argument that Mr. Haslim did not "disavow  
24 Uber's use of [REDACTED]." (Reply at 7.) In his supplemental declaration,  
25 Mr. Haslim explained that he "stated in [his] earlier declaration and again at [his] deposition, the  
26 [REDACTED] in Fuji are not used as [REDACTED] from which [Uber]  
27 [REDACTED]" (Supp. Haslim ¶ 14.) This explanation contained no new  
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evidence.<sup>10</sup>

## **F. Waymo Added New Patent and Trade Secret Allegations Against Spider**

In his reply declaration, Mr. Kintz withdrew his patent infringement allegations against Fuji and redirected them against Spider instead. (Kintz Reply ¶¶ 80-84.) He also identified a new trade secret allegation against Spider, arguing that [REDACTED] is a Waymo trade secret. (*Id.* ¶¶ 72-79.) Mr. Kintz acknowledged that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was not an alleged trade secret discussed in his opening declaration. (*Id.* ¶ 55.) The following are proper responses on sur-reply:

- **Description of the Spider Device (Supp. Haslim ¶¶ 2-10, 20-23; Sur-reply at 7:1-6 and n.10).**

In response to Mr. Kintz's new patent allegations against Spider, Mr. Haslim described Spider's eight-cavity fiber laser design and how no Spider LiDAR was ever made, used, sold, offered for sale, or imported. (Supp. Haslim ¶¶ 2-10, 20-23.) He also explained how Spider's [REDACTED] design used commercially-available fiber purchased from a vendor and disclosed on a public website, which advertised the fiber for LiDAR applications. (*Id.* ¶¶ 7-8.)

## Conclusion

Defendants’ sur-reply declarations properly respond to the moving targets presented by Waymo’s allegations. “Experience has shown that it is easy to allege theft of trade secrets with vagueness, then take discovery into the defendants’ files, and then cleverly specify what ever happens to be there as having been trade secrets stolen from plaintiff.” *Jobscience, Inc. v. CVPartners, Inc.*, No. C 13-04519 WHA, 2014 WL 852477, at \*5 (N.D. Cal. Feb. 28, 2014). In its reply papers, Waymo has relied on precisely this “vagueness” to redefine its trade secrets after obtaining discovery, and Defendants should be allowed to respond in full. For these reasons, Waymo’s objections to Defendants’ sur-reply declarations should be overruled.

<sup>10</sup> Waymo does not object to Mr. Haslim's statement that "[a] known technique of mounting laser diodes onto PCBs is to die attach and wire bond the laser diodes [REDACTED] that are integrated into PCBs." (Supp. Haslim ¶ 14.) This statement responds to Mr. Kintz's new opinion regarding the alleged trade secrets of [REDACTED], which was not in Mr. Kintz's opening declaration.

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